IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 11/01/2005 Atty. Docket No. CROSS1120-13 **Applicant** Geoffrey B. Hoese **Application Number** Date Filed 10/658,163 09/09/2003 Title Storage Router and Method for Providing Virtual **Local Storage** Group Art Unit Examiner 2182 Shin, Christopher B. Confirmation Number:

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In response to the Official Action mailed November 1, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the Claims in view of this reply.